

## Prayers

### **To God**

*Pray to put all things at God's disposal for the day ahead; your time, your energy, your interest, your zeal and your passion. Leave nothing out!*

### **For Self**

**Father, sometimes we feel Your presence very close, and sometimes it seems that You are distant, and at times when we need You most. Give us courage to rise above the limitations of worldly life, and accept the spiritual truth of Your presence, which makes all things possible and puts all things in perspective. Thank You, Father. AMEN**

### **For others**

*Pray for people who are tempted to believe evil, whether it is the evil of false religion or the evil of violence or greed. Pray for those who are intent on fighting what is good and pray they might see the light of Your glory confronting them.*

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## Meditation

Lord Jesus, You are  
The source of all wisdom  
from the beginning of the world.

Lord Jesus, You know  
How evil distorts people's capacity  
for faith and hope and love.

Lord Jesus, You have  
Come into this world to confront all evil  
and expose the enemy for who he is.

Lord Jesus, You died  
When standing firm for what is right,  
what is good and true and of God.

Lord Jesus, You rose  
And defeated the powers of death  
and overcame Satan and hell!

Lord Jesus, You ascended  
To glory, to be with the Father  
and send on us Your Holy Spirit.

Lord Jesus, You come to be with us  
So that we can live without fear,  
and be victorious, in You!

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## Bible Passage

### Genesis 24:10-27

<sup>10</sup> The servant then took ten of his master's camels and left, taking every kind of quality gift from his master; and set out for and arrived at the city of Nahor in Mesopotamia.

<sup>11</sup> Towards evening, when the women go out to draw water, he made the camels kneel down by the well outside the city. <sup>12</sup> Then he prayed,

*'O LORD, God of my master Abraham, please grant me success today and show loyalty to my master Abraham. <sup>13</sup> I am standing here at the spring, and the daughters of the townspeople are coming out to draw water. <sup>14</sup> If I say to a girl, "Please offer your jar that I may drink," and she answers, "Drink, and I will water your camels as well," then let her be the one You have chosen for your servant Isaac. By this I shall know that you have shown loyalty to my master.'*

<sup>15</sup> Before he had finished praying, Rebekah came out with her water jar on her shoulder; she was the daughter of Bethuel son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother. <sup>16</sup> The girl was very beautiful, a virgin, who had no husband. She went down to the spring, filled her jar, and came up again. <sup>17</sup> Then the servant ran to meet her and said,

*'Please may I have some water from your jar.'*

<sup>18</sup> She replied,

*'drink, my lord,'*

and quickly lowered the jar in her hands and gave him a drink. <sup>19</sup> When she had given him a drink, she said,

*'I will draw water for your camels as well, until they have finished drinking.'*

<sup>20</sup> So she speedily emptied her jar into the trough, ran back to the well to draw, and drew for all his camels. <sup>21</sup> The man silently watched her carefully, to see whether or not the LORD had made his journey successful.

<sup>22</sup> When the camels had finished drinking, the man took a half shekel gold nose-ring, and two, ten shekel gold bracelets for her arms, <sup>23</sup> and said,

*'Tell me whose daughter you are. Is there room in your father's house for us to spend the night?'*

<sup>24</sup> She said to him,

*'I am the daughter of Bethuel, the son Milcah bore to Nahor.'*

<sup>25</sup> Then she added,

*'We have plenty of straw and fodder and room to spend the night.'*

<sup>26</sup> The man bowed his head and worshiped the LORD <sup>27</sup> and said,

*'Blessed be the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who has not abandoned his loyalty and faithfulness toward my master. As for me, it is the LORD who has led me on this journey to the house of my master's relatives!'*

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## **Review**

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## **Going Deeper**

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## **Application**

### ***Discipleship issues***

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### ***Questions for groups***

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## **Final Prayer**

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